

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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STATE FARM GENERAL INSURANCE
COMPANY,

Plaintiff,

v.

OUTRIDER U.S.A., and DOES 1-20,
inclusive,

Defendants.

No. 2:21-cv-02183 WBS AC

ORDER REFERRING CASE TO VDRP
AND STAYING PROCEEDINGS

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In their Joint Status Report, the parties agree that this case is appropriate for an early alternative dispute resolution. (Docket No. 3 at 7.) The court will therefore refer the action to the court's Voluntary Dispute Resolution Program ("VDRP").

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Within fourteen (14) days of this Order, the parties shall contact the court's VDRP administrator, Sujean

1 Park, at (916) 930-4278 or SPark@caed.uscourts.gov, to start the
2 process of selecting an appropriate neutral. The parties shall
3 carefully review and comply with Local Rule 271, which outlines
4 the specifications and requirements of the VDRP.

5 2. To avoid the unnecessary expenditure of costs and
6 attorneys' fees, this action is hereby stayed to provide the
7 parties time to complete the VDRP session. No later than five
8 (5) days after completion of the VDRP session, the parties shall
9 file a joint statement indicating whether a settlement was
10 reached.

11 3. The parties shall complete the VDRP session no
12 later than June 1, 2022. The status conference set for April 11,
13 2022, is VACATED, and the court hereby sets a new status
14 conference for July 5, 2022. If a settlement is not reached
15 through VDRP, the parties shall submit an Amended Joint Status
16 Report no later than June 21, 2022.

17 IT IS SO ORDERED.

18 Dated: March 29, 2022



19 **WILLIAM B. SHUBB**
20 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE**
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